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August 31, 1987

Rear	Admiral	William	C.	Mott,	USN	(Ret.)

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Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter which I have just received upon my return from Colorado. I appreciate the heads up on the defector issue. I'm taking the liberty of sharing it with Dave Gries, who heads our Congressional Affairs Office. I'll probably see you after my upcoming trip (which will make me miss the September 17th breakfast), but in any event will be back in touch with you.

Warmest regards,

Sincerely,

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W. Glen Zinn Hech Mining Company Dear Bill,

In being a bureaucrat to day trying to help Secretary Hodel and Chester Crocker answer certain sections of the auti apartheis act with reference to cutting off (or not) mineral importation from South africa. Chet, by the way will be the next speaker at our ABA breakfast (Sept 17th). He begoing to tell us the status of getting the Cubans out of angola! You're invited as usual.

The enclosed letter wornes we since I beard the subcommittee is going to try

to inveigle you into testifying. Somewithere I know and going to be critical of the CIA's bundling of defectors. But, most of the questo asked of one seem to point to support for the Junistown Houndation about which I

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Admiral William C. Mott (Ret.)

Dear Admiral Mott:

I am writing to thank you for the enjoyable conversation last Friday as well as to reconfirm the Subcommittee's desire to have your thoughts included in our September hearings on the handling of defectors from communist countries. At this time, we would like to have you prepare a statement for introduction into the record on the first day of hearings on September 15, 1987.

As you are aware from our discussion, the focus of our hearings concerns the process for handling high-level communist-bloc defectors. The investigation reveals that a vacuum exists within our government for providing assistance to and utilizing the unique skills of many of the defectors and refugees from Communist countries. Currently, the CIA is funded to assist only "intelligence" defectors who meet the strict standards of Section 7 of the 1949 CIA Act. (These defectors are commonly referred to as P.L. 110's.)

Our investigation has shown that a discreet number of these non-P.L. 110's and emigres could be of great use to our government, academia and the public in general. If given the chance, they could write, teach, lecture or do research about the communist system and how it operates. At this time, only the Jamestown Foundation is currently devoted solely to promoting a limited number of these defectors.

Based upon your military, intelligence and foreign area studies background, we would appreciate your views upon this issue as well as your recommendations for any remedial actions on the part of Congress and the Administration. In particular, we would be interested in you discussing the following questions:

- What unique skills, insights or experiences do the high-level defectors/emigres bring to our country that could be better utilized? (E.g. the points made by you in the June 1987 Intelligence Report article.)

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- How are these defectors/emigres currently being utilized by the government and could their use be enlarged?
- What is the proper role of the defector/emigre in U.S. academia and what particular problems do they face in entering it?
- What importance should we place in the third wave phenomena and is government, academia, etc. fully utilizing these individuals?
- What is the current status of Soviet studies in America and how can the defector/emigre be utilized to improve that situation.
- What impact does redefection have on our country in regards to the Soviet Union and are there means currently available to reduce, though never eliminate, the chances of this occurring?
- Especially in terms of conventional warfare, what, if any, role can the defector/emigre play in assisting government and academic analysts in fostering a better understanding of our foreign opponents?
- What improvements are needed for resettling defectors? For example, should our government follow the example of the British system and how could such a program be carried out for the non-P.L. 110's as well as the P.L. 110's?
- In light of the efforts of the current Soviet regime to consolidate its power over the military, intelligence and bureaucratic apparatus, would we expect more high-level defections and if so, how should our country be prepared to handle these new arrivals in order to fully utilize their unique experiences and insights?

Although these questions are quite broad, they are not meant to be all inclusive. They are offered to focus your attention onto a number of areas of interest to the Committee that you may wish to discuss. Please feel free to add or subtract from the various questions as you deem appropriate. More importantly, as we discussed on the phone, any specific examples appropriate for an open hearing would be most helpful.

I would be more than happy to assist you in this endeavor and can be reached at 224-3721. I am enclosing the hearing record and report from our investigation of the Government's Security Clearance System to provide you some examples of statements introduced into the record. Let me add, in closing, that such statements are extremely important as not only background for the Senators but also as the basis for the Subcommittee's final report and recommendations.

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If at all possible, we would appreciate receiving your statement by the end of the first week in September, so that it may be disseminated to the entire staff and members of the Subcommittee prior to the hearing.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief Counsel

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